

In the Claims

1. (Original) A double-transfected cell line containing (a) a DNA sequence encoding an uptake transporter for organic anions operatively linked with a promoter and (b) a DNA sequence encoding an export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates operatively linked with a promoter.
2. (Original) The cell line of claim 1 which is a canine or human cell line and the DNA sequences of (a) and/or (b) are human.
3. (Currently amended) The cell line of claim 1 ~~or 2~~ which is a kidney cell line.
4. (Currently amended) The cell line of ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 ~~to 3~~ wherein the uptake transporter for organic anions is a member of the subgroup 21A or 22A of the solute carrier (SLC) superfamily.
5. (Original) The cell line of claim 4, wherein the uptake transporter for organic anions is OAT1 (SLC22A6), OATP2 (SLC21A6), OATP8 (SLC21A8) or OATP-B (SLC21A9).
6. (Currently amended) The cell line of ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 ~~to 5~~ wherein the export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates is a member of the MDR (ABCB) subgroup or the MRP (ABCC) subgroup of the ABC superfamily.

7. (Original) The cell line of claim 6, wherein the export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates is the bile salt export pump BSEP (ABCB11) or the multidrug resistance protein 2 (MRP2; ABCC2).

8. (Currently amended) The cell line of ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 to 7 wherein the DNA sequence encoding an uptake transporter for organic anions and/or the DNA sequence encoding an export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates are operatively linked with a promoter allowing high expression.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

10. (Currently amended) The method of Use according to claim 12 ~~9~~ wherein the transport inhibitor is a drug candidate.

11. (Currently amended) The method of Use according to claim 12 or 13 ~~9 or 10~~ wherein the identification of a transport substrate or a transport inhibitor is carried out as high throughput screening.

12. (New) A method for identifying whether a candidate agent is a transport inhibitor comprising: contacting the cell line of claim 1 with a candidate agent and determining whether the candidate agent inhibits cellular transport by the transporter for organic anions or the export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates.

13. (New) A method for identifying whether a candidate agent is a transport substrate comprising:
contacting the cell line of claim 1 with a candidate agent and determining whether the candidate agent is transported into and /or within the cell by the transporter for organic anions or the export pump for organic anions or anionic conjugates.